GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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PIPELINE PROJECTS OF GAIL
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether GAIL is implementing a number of pipeline projects for transmission of gas in the country.

(b) if so, the present projects of GAIL under implementation;

(c) whether many such projects of GAIL are involved in cost overruns;

(d) if so, the projects of GAIL which are behind schedule; and

(e) the steps taken to improve functioning of GAIL?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN)

(a)&(b) Yes, Sir. GAIL (India) Limited (GAIL) is implementing following major gas pipeline projects:-

- Dahej-Vijaipur Pipeline
- Dahej-Hazira-Uran Pipeline
- Chainsa-Gurgaon Pipeline
- Project Blue Sky City Gas Distribution
- Bareilly City Gas Distribution
- South Gujarat Pipeline
- Thulendi - IFFCO Phulpur Pipeline (HBJ-III)
- Dadri - IOC Panipat Pipeline (HBJ-III)
- Cauvery Basin Pipeline for small consumers

(c) No, Sir. None of the GAIL`s projects under implementation are involved in cost over-run.

(d) The Vizag - Secunderabad Pipeline was scheduled to be commissioned by 31.08.2003 but could not be commissioned due to non-availability of LPG.The pipeline was mechanically completed on 22.6.2003. The line shall be commissioned within 3 weeks of receipt of LPG from Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs).

(e) All the GAIL`s pipeline projects are being implemented within approved costs and scheduled time.